

# EMS Sub-Committee for Data Collection Summary

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The following notes were taken at the EMS Commission Sub-Committee Meeting that occurred at Decatur Twp. Fire Department on March 13, 2013.

Attendees: Michael Lockard, Chairman, Charles Valentine, Member, Rick Archer, Member. Dr. Olinger, Member was absent.

Staff in attendance: Candice Hilton, Gary Robison, Angie Biggs, Robin Stump, Elizabeth Fiato, Ryan Hansome, Jenna Rossio, Fire Marshal Jim Greeson, Chief of Staff Mike Garvey.

Other Attendees: Don Matson, ISDH, Katie Gatz, ISHD, Derek Zollinger, ISDH, Brian Carnes, ISDH.

## Current Status of Reporting:

1. Total of 9,000 runs have been reported on the legacy system.
2. Approximately 12,000 are reporting on NEMSIS compliant system.
3. Runs for 2012 are still being reported
4. 210,433 runs in the system through legacy system. Approximately 8,000 runs have been reported on the dot net system.

## Action Items

1. Fire Marshal Jim Greeson reported on actions that IDHS have been taking to help get provider organizations compliant with the rules and regulations.
  - a. The Indiana specific data elements have been identified as being one issue that is keeping providers from reporting. A temporary waiver needs to be requested from the EMS Commission to ask that provider organizations only need to report the 83 NEMSIS elements.
  - b. Providers need to move from the Legacy system to the dot net system.
    - i. A new software program has been purchased and put into place.
    - ii. The new software will be effective as of March 13, 2013 (the day of this meeting). This new software will help to validate data as it is received.
    - iii. The agency has a plan in place to help get provider organizations compliant with data reporting.
    - iv. Staff from our Field services and planning divisions will be trained on the new software system so that they can help educate and train providers.
  - c. The goal of the Agency is to have the majority of providers compliant by June 2013.

- d. Beta testing with the new software will be initiated prior to launching the system completely.
  - e. An update will be provided to the EMS Commission at the June 7, 2013 meeting.
- 2. A waiver request has been prepared by staff to be presented at the EMS Commission to waive IAC 836 1-1-5 (b) to allow providers to report the 83 NEMSIS data elements without the Indiana specific data elements.

**Mr. Chuck Valentine offered a motion for the Sub-Committee to support the waiver request from Indiana Department of Homeland Security prepared on behalf of all providers in Indiana to waive the Indiana specific data elements. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rick Archer. The motion passed.**

- 3. After discussion it was decided that a non-rule policy needs to be draft and presented to the EMS Commission to set how data will be submitted to the state.

**Mr. Chuck Valentine offered a motion for staff to draft a non-rule policy that states providers must send data in xml format to the state. The motion was seconded by Chairman Michael Lockard. The motion passed.**

- 4. It was stated that the Data Dictionary will need to be updated. The Data Dictionary is not in the statute so it can be updated without a rule change.
- 5. Ms. Katie Gatz reported out on the Trauma Registry. Ms. Gatz reports that some information has been received by ISDH. IDHS has sent information to ISDH. After the new software at IDHS is in place and receiving data IDHS will be able to send usable data to ISDH.

Mr. Gary Robison posed the question “will there be mutual sharing of data between the two agencies?” Ms. Gatz and Mr. Brian Carnes stated that yes there would be mutual sharing.

- 6. Chairman Lockard opened discussion regarding when the next Sub-committee meeting would be set. After discussion it was decided that a meeting will be set after the June 7 2013 EMS Commission meeting.

**With there being no more business for the good of the order Mr. Chuck Valentine made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rick Archer. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 4:33pm.**